4. The Parties are encouraged to share information and the experiences of their cooperation activities with other Parties at the Committee on Goods.

Article 5.14: Technical Consultation

1. Where a Party considers that a sanitary or phytosanitary measure is affecting its trade with another Party, it may, through the contact points designated under Article 5.15 (Contact Points and Competent Authorities) or already established communication channels, request a detailed explanation of the sanitary or phytosanitary measure. The other Party shall respond promptly to any request for such explanation.

2. A Party may request to hold technical consultations with another Party in an attempt to resolve any concerns on specific issues arising from the application of the sanitary or phytosanitary measure. The requested Party shall respond promptly to any reasonable request for such consultation. The consulting Parties shall make every effort to reach a mutually satisfactory resolution.

3. Where a Party requests technical consultations, these shall take place within 30 days of the receipt of the request, unless otherwise agreed. Such consultation should aim to resolve the matter within 180 days of the date of the request, or a time frame agreed by the consulting Parties.

4. The technical consultations may be conducted via teleconference, videoconference, or through any other means agreed by the consulting Parties.

Article 5.15: Contact Points and Competent Authorities

1. Each Party shall, within 30 days of the date of entry into force of this Agreement for that Party:

   (a) designate one or more contact points to facilitate communication on matters covered under this Chapter;

   (b) notify the other Parties of the contact details of that contact point or those contact points; and

   (c) when more than one contact point is designated, specify a contact point that serves as the focal point to respond to enquiries from another Party on the appropriate contact point with which to communicate.

2. Each Party shall provide the other Parties, through the contact points, a description of its competent authorities and the division of their functions and responsibilities.

3. Each Party shall notify the other Parties of any change to the contact points and significant changes in the structure, organisation, and division of responsibility within its competent authorities. Each Party shall keep this information up to date.

4. The Parties recognise the importance of the competent authorities in the implementation of this Chapter. Accordingly, the competent authorities of the Parties may cooperate with each other on matters covered by this Chapter in a manner to be agreed. The Parties are encouraged to share information and experiences of such cooperation of their competent authorities with the Committee on Goods where the Parties agree to do so.

Article 5.16: Implementation

The Parties may, where mutually agreed, develop bilateral or plurilateral arrangements to set out mutually determined understandings and details for applying this Chapter. The Parties that have adopted such arrangements under this Chapter are encouraged, where mutually agreed, to report such arrangements to the Committee on Goods.

Article 5.17: Dispute Settlement

1. Chapter 19 (Dispute Settlement) shall not apply to this Chapter at the entry into force of this Agreement.

2. The non-application of Chapter 19 (Dispute Settlement) shall be subject to review two years after the date of entry into force of this Agreement. In the course of the review, Parties shall give due consideration to the application of Chapter 19 (Dispute Settlement) to either the whole or parts of this Chapter. Such a review shall be completed within three years from the date of entry into force of this Agreement. After which those Parties that are ready shall proceed to apply Chapter 19 (Dispute Settlement) to this Chapter as between one another. A Party that is not ready will consult other Parties and may apply Chapter 19 (Dispute Settlement) to this Chapter when it becomes party to any future